

JOURNAL AND UNION.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1852.

For President,
MILLARD FILLMORE.For Vice President,
EDWARD BATES.

We are authorized to announce D. P. JACKSON as a candidate for Sheriff, at the coming election.

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FIRE!

Do you suppose he is in prison? It that way down in Franklin county, among the Benton friends? Not he! We noticed that while on this point, he managed very adroitly to remind his hearers that Gen. Cass had obeyed the instructions of the Michigan Legislature, when they told him to vote for the Whig Provision. Mr. Bay pretended to refer to this by way of illustration, but the real object was evidently to call to the recollection of his audience a precedent in which a great and illustrious Democrat had gone much farther than Col. Benton, and as a delicate hint of the extreme to which they might be led by a too rigid adherence to that principle.

Mr. Bay said if he had been in the Legislature when the Jackson revolution came up for discussion, he would have voted against them; his preference would have been for the directly opposite instructions of 1821. These held that Congress had power to legislate over slavery in the Territories, the very doctrine which has brought upon the Benton men the title of "Free-soilers." All the time, and with great unanimity, unopposedly bestowed by the anti-Benton party.

Mr. Bay is advocating a "re-union" of the Democratic party. What for? There was nothing he more frequently impressed upon the minds of his hearers than the assertion that he is not a candidate for Congress unless they could find no better representative; in which case he was humbly prepared to sacrifice himself—a martyr for the good of his country, the safety of whose glorious institutions, depended on the offices being held by good Democrats like himself.

O, Disinterested Labor, thou art a Jewel!

THE CONTRACT.

Letters received from Col. Stewart, contain the following particulars in relation to the contract for building the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad. We are indebted for them to one of the Directors:

"The whole line is let to one company, to be commenced as soon as practicable, simultaneously, at Hannibal and St. Joseph, and to be completed within four years. Sections, so far as completed, to be turned over to the Railroad Company. The contract includes the complete equipment of engines, cars, &c. The price per mile, to be settled by two or more competent engineers; the contracting party to take 10 per cent. in stock with a provision for 30 per cent. The contract is to be submitted to approval of the Directors, and to be returned, approved or modified, within 40 days; until which time we shall not be able to report the details and special provisions."

While the fire was raging, one of our citizens heard two strangers talking and laughing in an out-of-the-way place. One of them said:—

"Burn! G—d—n you! burn!—I glory to see it!"

If these men did not set the stable on fire, they were mean enough to do it. They should have been arrested, and if evidence sufficient for conviction could not have been brought against them, they might at least have received an intimation that their presence could be dispensed with in this city.

BEWARE!

A friend has handed us what appears at first sight, to be a bank note. It is handsomely engraved on bank note paper, in bank note style, but still, it is not the thing, in our opinion, though well calculated to entrap the unwary. We particularly caution young people against it, as they are unacquainted with the ways of the world, and by attempting to pass such a note, may learn too late, that they are in a "State" where it is possible for people to lose their liberty.

On the upper left hand corner is a heart, surrounded with a wreath of roses (the thorns concealed). Under this are the words "Secured by the pledge of the whole stock of truth, honor and fidelity." We would inform our readers that the security is utterly worthless—100 per cent. below par—has not been worth anything since the good old days of "Lang Syne." The vignette is a Cupid, an angel, a dove, a lot of flowers, and an altar. All intended to deceive. We assure our readers that there is not a single angel on the face of the earth, and "Cupid" was killed years ago, by having melted gold poured down his throat. On the upper right hand corner is printed "State of Missouri." There is such a "State," but more than one-half of the people in that "State" are secretly in favor of "Disunion." It will not do to place any reliance on a "State" where so large a proportion of the population are "Disunionists." On the right is engraved a gentleman carrying a parasol on one arm, and a lady on the other—truly typical of the woe and trouble to which all are compelled to submit by the rigid laws of the tyrannically governed "State of Matrimony."

On each side of the vignette are the figures "1850," the 18 very small, the 50 very large, by which it is made still more evident that those who deal in such notes with a view of adding to their money, will instead only add to their troubles.

Under the vignette are the words:—"BANK or TRUE LOVE. I promise to pay to [Lady's name] on acceptance, the sincere homage and never failing devotion of an affectionate heart." "Cupid, Pres't, 1850." [Gentleman's name.] "Cashier."

Again we say—Beware of this dangerous currency. We have seen no notice of it in "Presbury's Counterfeit Detector," but shall look for it in the next number.

WHOLESALE DRUG HOUSE.—See advertisement of WILLIAM DEXON, of St. Louis.

Lost Monday morning, about 1 o'clock, a fire broke out in the livery stable belonging to Messrs. Shook & Davis, and spread so rapidly as to render it impossible for those who arrived first after the alarm, to cut the ropes (which ran three or four horses). The boys sleeping in the stable had time enough, but lacked presence of mind to cut those some of the finest horses they might have saved a thousand dollars in this way. Among the rest were six horses in the stable, for which the proprietors would not have taken nine hundred dollars. Horses tied with weak halters, broke them and escaped. Altogether, the number saved was seventeen, some of them badly injured. Five of these seventeen belonged to Shook & Davis, and though only one—fortunately the best horse in the stable—was of their finest lot of horses, it was pleasant to find them unharmed. At the time of the fire there were forty-eight horses in the stable, twenty-three of which belonged to Shook & Davis; the others were the property of citizens and travelers. Some carriages were also saved, but nothing else. The whole loss is estimated at six thousand dollars, of which only one thousand was covered by insurance. From this building the flames spread among the adjacent houses, and finally swept over nearly one-half the square, destroying thirteen or fourteen houses.

Mr. C. Carter lost over four hundred dollars worth of groceries.

Mr. Coffman lost his shop and planing machine, worth six or eight hundred dollars.

Two buildings were torn down, one of them, the office of Clerk of Court of Common Pleas.

A large part of Mr. Kirkland's family grocery was burned, with the house.

Mr. Thompson's tailor shop, and the shop of Mr. Lewis' saddler shop.

And Mr. Hambrough's and

Mr. Dinslip's dwelling houses were destroyed, the inmates having barely time to escape, and being able to save nothing of value.

Messrs. Samuel & Moss lost fourteen thousand pounds of bacon.

The circumstances under which the fire occurred, lead to the belief that it was the work of an incendiary. If so, we can hardly expect this to be the last, unless there shall be established an efficient night police, and the vagrant act revived.

The City Council have it in contemplation to pass an ordinance against building frame houses. It has been suggested that such an ordinance should operate within the space extending from Rock to Market street, and from the Levee to Fifth street.

The necessity for a regularly organized and practiced fire company was exemplified at this fire, for it could be found when it was wanted.

Long-end-foremost way in which

re done caused much delay in good

Medicines ready to play, after it was at

Had a candidate, The council better take up Captain

in the country, a proposition to attach a force

to his engine? Much of the time

will probably run day and night, and when not in motion, steam could be raised with dry wood in twenty-five minutes.

His well will be almost inexhaustible; and with

will be conveyed long distances, and thrown with such force and in such quantity, as to be a formidable enemy to the devouring element.

The cost would constitute the merest trifle, compared with the good that might be done.

Our neighbor of the Journal complains that he was humiliated by an itinerant dancing troupe which lately passed through this city.

Good for him—no business to be sought at such places.

Courier.

We confess, as we trust, with proper contrition, that our sad experience in this particular instance, goes to prove that one step on a downward road, may be the precursor of another, still worse. We are pained to acknowledge that not two weeks after we attended the exhibition of the above mentioned troupe, we were "caught" listening to the wily, twisting, soft-seller, double-faced, humbugging speech of W. V. N. Bay!

LIBERTY FIRE COMPANY.

At the last meeting of this Company, held at the City Hall, on the 25th ult., the following gentlemen were elected officers for the year commencing 1st of April:

R. D. Brewington, President,

B. M. Hawkins, Vice President,

R. S. Buchanan, Secretary,

T. R. Selmes, Treasurer,

Jas. T. Davis, 1st Director,

Nathaniel Dick, 2d Director,

D. Dean, 1st Engineer,

Wm. G. Oldham, 2d Engineer.

Messrs. SELMES, JACKSON, KUSSEL, RICHARDS, and others, GENTLEMEN:

You have requested that a concert be given to aid in the permanent organization of the Liberty Fire Company.

The object is one of general interest; but in responding to the call we do so only upon condition that a sufficient number of tickets be disposed of to assure us of a beneficial result.

In view of this we suggest that a committee be appointed from among yourselves to effect the sale of the requisite number of tickets, (200) and make all necessary arrangements.

Very resp'y yours,

J. H. McDANNOLD,

In the name of the "AMATEURS."

HANNIBAL, March 31.

CLOTHING.—Mr. HIRSH McYERSON has a well selected stock of clothing, every thing suitable for the season, and cheap. Call on him; he will deal fairly by you, and give you good bargains. For further information, read his advertisement.

HANNIBAL AND GLASGOW.

Among those of our citizens who reside near an equal distance from Hannibal and Glasgow, there is a strong prejudice against the former place, a prejudice which is proving, and has already proven ruinous to the people among whom it exists, as well as the city of Hannibal.

Let no one, for a moment, suppose that through motives of selfish interest, we have been prompted to speak thus—far from it. We entertain equally as kind feelings towards one as the other of the young cities, and hope to see them both prosper—but what is the interest of the people is our interest.

We have conversed with these people enough to know their opinions of the two places, and can say that with many of them there is a false notion, that the business men of Hannibal are a perfect set of swindlers, that they would rather swindle a countryman out of produce than any other way, and that if he should dare to resist their iniquitous proceedings, they would soon kick him out of doors or send him to the calaboose as any thing else. These opinions, they have received from persons who in bygone days, traded to that point. Hence it is plain why many of the citizens trade to Glasgow rather than to Hannibal.

We would say to this portion of our citizens that Hannibal is quite changed from what it once was.

It is a fact, that at one time the majority of her business men were rascals, or at least they acted very rascally with the citizens of the country; but at this time they bear quite a different character. Those "rascally fellows" have either "gone the way of all the earth," or have been compelled to give place to honest men. The business men of Hannibal—we know them well, and can say without fear of doubt or contradiction, that they are as honest and clever as any other set of men, no matter where they are found; and so far as we know, we can say the same of Glasgow.

Then, laying aside all prejudice, what is the reason that many of our citizens trade to Glasgow rather than to Hannibal?

No one will deny that their produce of every kind will command a better price at the latter place, and that their wants can there be supplied as cheap, if not cheaper than in any other city in the State, St. Louis not excepted. Are not the roads to one place as good as to the other? Why, then, do they not give Hannibal a call? There will be nothing lost by the experiment, we are sure.

Now, as a friend to the people, and a friend alike to their interests, we would say, lay aside all such ruinous prejudices, promote your own interest, the interest of your posterity, as well as the interest of your country, by changing the place of your trade to Hannibal, and if you do not find its citizens the right kind of fellows, why you can easily go back to Glasgow. We are of the opinion that such movements would be about right. At any rate, prove all things and hold fast that which is best.

ROANOK, March 15th, 1852.

THE HANNIBAL DELEGATION.

Under the head of "The Hoax" the Courier—the Journal—the Messenger—the Messenger has the following paragraph:

So far as the article of the "Journal" is concerned, we have no reply to make. We think his article the "unkindest cut of all," but not on the "Messenger." "Save me from my friends," would we say, were the "Journal" to make such an apology for us. "The positively cruel, Clemons, to do so. You are a naughty fellow, your apology is 'worse than a dose of salts.' "You ought not to visit where you are not expected."

We confess that the apology was about as bad as the offence! But the doctor might have seen that it was a mere blunder. This blunder was caused by doing things in a hurry. Several words accidentally omitted, or what printers call an "out," caused us to state directly the reverse of what we intended to state, and what we were fully authorized to state, by our knowledge of the fact that such provision was made before the invitation was given, as to insure to Kossuth a reception in our city creditable to the latter, and hospitable to the former. It was supposed that the invitations from Alton and Quincy, added to the one from Hannibal, might induce Kossuth to pursue his way farther up the Mississippi.

A fine opportunity is offered to any one desirous of opening a store in the country, where the business would be profitable; or to those desirous of buying slaves or other personal property as will be seen by reference to the new advertisement under the head of "Administrator's Sale."

A communication was handed into this office, charging that one of our citizens had been "writing very insulting letters to a female." For several reasons we must decline its publication.

Rev. Dr. Potts, for many years pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, in St. Louis, and President of Marion College, from 1835 to 1839, died on Sunday morning, the 28th ult.

"THE WHITE FAWN." We conclude this week the excellent story by Marie. It has been well received, and we hope the writer will continue to contribute for this paper.

The Contractors.

DUFF & LEARNED of New York and Boston, respectively, with their associates, are the Company, as we are informed, who have taken the contract for the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad.

VOLCANIC OIL LINIMENT.—See advertisement in another column. This valuable medicine has been tried and proved to be good for the disease it professes to remedy.

Thought.

ON THE OPENING OF THE NEW YEAR.

How thus the fleeting seasons as they roll, Prolong new notes of sadness on the soul. Tremulous and like a breeze, bright rays of light, The flow of vision that around us thrills! As joyous youth on age again had smiled, So free the measure, and so wild! Oh! at the least week seek relief in tears! To when each moment tears the lapse of years, And healing wounds are bruised afresh, to stain New pains of anguish in the bleeding heart. Plowing melons form, at one bold stride. Quick passage, and our seasons high and low glide. And here along, and blaze, and have to light Their transient pathway to the realm of night. Thus the host of every age decays! The sport of one becomes another's prey! Each cycle round, the wheeling orb of life, And ebb back to earth the requiem voice Of ages that, waves of ocean away. The tiny yacht upon its liquid way. Safely over its bastions waters glide. Or can ebb into deep beneath the tide. See earth's material as from magic stroke To life and baneful wither! To be born in Columbia—with her lofty head Fresh o'er the towering ashes of the dead! From freedom's summit—letting it decay. The last glad morn'g has set its ration flight! Its agent ebb upon the brow of night. Ah! might—ere from the towering steep! clime The last faint ech, to the march of time, Here on this "table of plagues" to decay. The hopes of millions as they pass away. Once but forgotten, in my fancy gleam The stricken mariner and his lone, lone dream! But spread the banner! Banish sadness here! It is the festive of the bright new year!

WHIG MEETING AT NEW LONDON.

At a meeting of the Whigs of Ralls County, held at New London, on Monday the 22d day of March, 1852, for the purpose of selecting delegates to represent Ralls county in the Whig State Convention. William General was called to the Chair, and Samuel C. Woods appointed Secretary.

On motion, the Chairman appointed the following gentlemen a committee to draft resolutions for the meeting, viz:

Jas. W. Galleher, Wm. Newland, John D. Biggs, Corban West, and Richard Boyce.

During the absence of the committee, Hon. Jas. O. Broadhead, being present, was called upon for a speech. He responded, and for a short time entertained the meeting by a lucid and cogent argument in favor of a modification of the Tariff, and other questions of Whig policy.

The Chairman of the committee then reported the following resolutions, which were read and unanimously adopted:

1. Resolved, That we rejoice in the belief that the agitating questions connected with the subject of slavery which for a few years past have aroused the sectional prejudices and local animosities of different portions of our Union, have at length been put to rest by the spirit of mutual concession and forbearance.

2. Resolved, That the States and the citizens of the